

CLAIMS: I claim:

(1) A method of playing a wagering card game with a plurality of players using a standard deck of fifty-two playing cards, having a standard rank, said game involving standard poker hand ranking, including a premium odds of six to one ratio offered on one side bet for all said standard poker hand ranks equal to a pair of aces or higher ranked poker hands, and is comprised of the following steps,

(A) Each player places an initial bet to participate in the game,

(B) Each player has the option to place one premium odds side bet not to exceed said initial bet,

(C) Each player is dealt five cards in succession face down,

(D) Dealer is dealt a dealer's hand comprised of five cards in succession face down,

(E) Two common cards are dealt in succession face down, said cards being common to said players and said dealer,

(F) Each player inspects and evaluates said dealt hands,

(G) Dealer turns said dealer's dealt hand face up to reveal rank of said cards to all players,

(H) Players take action by placing said players' dealt hands face down to hold on five cards,

(I) Players take action by placing a draw bet equal to said initial bet to be entitled to include said two common cards in said players' dealt hands and said players place said dealt hands face down,

(J) Dealer turns first common card face up to reveal the rank of said card,

(K) Dealer turns second common card face up to reveal the rank of said card,

(L) Dealer declares dealer's highest ranked five card poker hand using only five cards from said dealer's dealt hand and said two common cards in play,

(M) Dealer turns each said player's dealt hand face up and declares said player's highest ranked five card poker hand using only the number of cards said player is entitled to include in said player's poker hand,

(N) Player having a said ranked poker hand equal to a pair of aces or higher ranked hand within the first five cards of player's dealt hand, have a said premium ranked hand,

(O) Player having said premium ranked hand, having placed said premium odds side bet is entitled to a bet resolving payout of six parts for every one part wagered by said player on said premium odds side bet from said dealer, and said player retains said premium odds side bet,

(P) Player having held on said player's dealt hand of five cards and having a higher ranked poker hand than said dealer's ranked poker hand is entitled to a bet resolving payout of two parts for every one part wagered by said player on said player's initial bet from said dealer,

(Q) Player having placed said draw bet and having a higher ranked poker hand than said dealer's ranked poker hand, and does not include the use of said second common card with said player's ranked poker hand to have said poker hand rank, is entitled to a bet resolving payout of one part for every one part wagered by said player on said player's initial bet and draw bet from the dealer,

(R) Player having placed said draw bet, having a higher ranked poker hand than said dealer's ranked poker hand, and having to use said second common card within said player's ranked poker hand to have said poker hand rank, is entitled to a bet resolving payout of one part for every two parts wagered by said player on said player's initial bet and draw bet from said dealer,

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(S) Player having placed said draw bet, having a higher ranked poker hand than said dealer's ranked poker hand, and having to use neither said first common card and said second common card within said player's ranked poker hand to have said poker hand rank, is entitled to a bet resolving payout of one part for every one part wagered by said player on said player's initial bet and draw bet from said dealer,

(T) Player having a ranked poker hand equal to said dealer's ranked poker hand, have a "pushed hand", resulting in said player neither winning or losing said player's initial bet and any draw bet,

(U) Player having a lower ranked poker hand than said dealer's ranked poker hand forfeit said player's initial bet and any draw bet to said dealer,

(V) Player having placed said premium odds side bet and having no said premium hand within said player's dealt hand of five cards, forfeit said player's premium odds side bet to said dealer,

(W) Dealer is to resolved all bets with said players and collect and retain all forfeited bets by said players.

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(2) The method of claim 1 using a standard deck of fifty-two cards with standard rank and including a joker card as a wild card with said standard deck of cards, said joker card playing within standard ranked poker hands as follows,

(A) As an ace with an ace or plurality of aces within said standard ranked poker hand with five aces having a higher rank than a royal straight flush,

(B) As a said wild card to make a five card straight, flush, or straight flush within said standard ranked poker hand.